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Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Organizational matters

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the Second Regular Session, 1 and 2 September 2016

Note by the Executive Board secretariat

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Annotations

Item 1
Organizational matters

The Executive Board will adopt the agenda and workplan for its second regular session of 2016, agree on the agenda and workplan for the first regular session of 2017 and discuss the draft annual workplan for 2017. The Executive Board may also adopt the report on its annual session of 2016, held from 27 to 28 June 2016.

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2016 (UNW/2016/L.4)

Report on the annual session, 27 and 28 June 2016 (UNW/2016/7)

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Proposed provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session of 2017 (UNW/2016/CRP.4)

Draft annual workplan for 2017 (UNW/2016/CRP.5)

Item 2
Structured dialogue on financing

The Executive Board will consider a report on structured dialogue on financing. This report, prepared in response to Executive Board decision 2014/6, is part of a structured dialogue on financing the UN-Women strategic plan, 2014-2017, to be held in the context of the consideration by the General Assembly of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, pursuant to resolution 67/226.

Building on findings from UN-Women's strategic brief on resource mobilization (UNW/2015/10), UN-Women's briefing on financing the 2014-2017 strategic plan including its flagship programme initiatives (UNW/2016/CRP.1), and against the backdrop of the critical mass of resources required for the organization to deliver on its mandate, this report presents an up-to-date assessment of UN-Women's current level of funding (both regular and other resources), including information on funding gaps.

This report situates UN-Women's efforts within a maturation framework that charts the organization's capacity to engage an increasingly robust and nuanced structured dialogue on financing. It presents a historical overview of UN-Women's resource mobilization efforts in the context of the organization's approved 2014-2015 and 2016-2017 Institutional Budgets, and describes UN-Women's efforts to strengthen its internal planning and capacity to predict annual financing requirements. The report then provides an analysis of UN-Women's funding in the biennium 2016-2017. Building on this analysis and a more complete understanding of UN-Women's successes, opportunities and challenges in achieving the full funding of its strategic plan, the report outlines UN-Women's updated resource mobilization strategy, which is responsive to external trends and anchored in an evidence-based review of the organization's results thus far.

Documentation

Report on structured dialogue on financing (UNW/2016/8)

Item 3
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Pursuant to Executive Board decision 2013/2, the Executive Board will be presented with the report on the independent and external assessment of the harmonized cost recovery methodology.

Documentation

Report on the independent and external assessment of the harmonized cost recovery methodology (UNW/2016/CRP.8)

Item 4
Evaluation

The Executive Board will be presented with two reports on the findings of two evaluations and related recommendations and the subsequent management responses.

The first report contains a meta-analysis of evaluations conducted in 2015. The meta-analysis considers insights based on the United Nations Evaluation Group criteria of (a) relevance, (b) effectiveness, (c) efficiency, (d) culture of results and (e) sustainability. The analysis also provides a brief synthesis of changes to some emergent insights captured in previous meta-analysis reports.

The second report contains a corporate thematic evaluation of UN-Women's contribution to United Nations system coordination on gender equality and women's empowerment. The evaluation assesses the relevance, effectiveness and organizational efficiency of UN-Women's UN coordination mandate. The findings and recommendations are expected to inform strategic decision-making, organizational learning and accountability, as well as to generate knowledge on what works and what does not in key aspects of UN coordination to advance gender equality and women's empowerment at global, regional and country levels.

Documentation

Meta-analysis of evaluations managed by UN-Women in 2015 (UNW/2016/CRP.6)

Related management response

Corporate evaluation of UN-Women's contribution to United Nations system coordination on gender equality and women's empowerment (UNW/2016/CRP.7)

Related management response

Item 5
Audit matters

The Executive Board will consider a briefing regarding the financial report and audited financial statements, and the report of the Board of Auditors, for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Documentation

Briefing regarding the report of the Board of Auditors for 2015

Management response to the report of the Board of Auditors for 2015

Item 6
Field Visit

The Executive Board will be presented with a report of the joint field visit of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Executive Boards of the United Nations Children's Fund, UN-Women and the World Food Programme to the Kyrgyz Republic, which took place from 2 to 7 May 2016.

Documentation

Report of the joint field visit of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Executive Boards of the United Nations Children's Fund, UN-Women and the World Food Programme to the Kyrgyz Republic, 2 to 7 May 2016

Item 7
Other matters

The Executive Board will discuss and take action on any other issue that may arise.

Documentation

No advance documentation is expected

Workplan

Day	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Thursday, 1 September	10 a.m.-1 p.m.		Opening of the session
			• Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women
		1	Organizational matters
			• Adoption of the annotated provisional agenda and workplan of the second regular session of 2016
			• Adoption of the report on the annual session of 2016
		2	Structured dialogue on financing
			• Report on structured dialogue on financing
			Informal consultations on draft decisions
	3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2	Structured dialogue on financing (continued)
		3	Financial, budgetary and administrative matters
			• Report on the independent and external assessment of the harmonized cost recovery methodology
			Informal consultations on draft decisions
Friday, 2 September	10 a.m.-1 p.m.		Briefing on innovations to scale up gender equality and the empowerment of women
		4	Evaluation
			• Meta-analysis of evaluations managed by UN-Women in 2015 and its related management response
			• Corporate evaluation of the UN-Women contribution to United Nations system coordination on gender equality and women's empowerment and its related management response
			Briefing on the operational response of UN-Women at the country level: Morocco
			Informal consultations on draft decisions

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	5	Audit matters • Management response to the report of the Board of Auditors for 2015
	6	Field visit • Report of the joint field visit of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Executive Boards of the United Nations Children's Fund, UN-Women and the World Food Programme to the Kyrgyz Republic, 2 to 7 May 2016. Briefing on the road map for the preparation of the strategic plan 2018-2021
	7	Other matters *Adoption of draft decisions*
	1	Organizational matters • Approval of the provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session of 2017 • Discussion of the draft annual workplan for 2017
		Closing of the session • Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women